## SHUTTLE CRITICAL ITEMS LIST - ORBITER

SUBSYSTEM : ORBITAL MANEUVER FMEA NO 03-3 -6408 -1 REV:11/14/87

ASSEMBLY : ENGINE SUBSYSTEM CRIT. FUNC:

P/N RI :MC621-0009 CRIT. HDW: P/N VENDOR:1186500-29 VEHICLE 102 103 104

QUANTITY :2 EFFECTIVITY: X X X

:1 FOR EACH ENGINE PHASE(S): PL X LO X OO X DO X LS

REDUNDANCY SCREEN: A- B- C-

PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY: APPROVED BY (NASA):

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ITEM:

GIMBAL RING

FUNCTION:

A BOX SECTIONED RING FABRICATED FROM 6AL-4V TITANIUM ALLOY FORGING IS USED TO ATTACH THE THROAT GIMBALLED ENGINE IN THE CENTER OF THE RING 2 INTERSECTION OF IMAGINARY LINES CONNECTING PITCH AND YAW BEARINGS. RING IS ATTACHED TO THE VEHICLE & TRANSMITS THRUST LOADS THROUGH 2 MOUNTING PADS & 2 SHORT STRUTS 90 DEC APART.

FAILURE MODE:

STRUCTURAL FAILURE

CAUSE(S):

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EXCESS WEAR OR FORCE, IMPROPER ASSEMBLY OR MATERIAL DEFECT, CORROSION, SHOCK, VIBRATION.

EFFECT(S) ON:

(A) SUBSYSTEM (B) INTERFACES (C) MISSION (D) CREW/VEHICLE

- (A) LOSS OF REDUNDANCY MAY REQUIRE SHUT-DOWN OF THE ENGINE (INABILITY TO GIMBAL ENGINE).
- (B) DEGRADATION OR LOSS OF INTERFACE FUNCTION. POSSIBLE ENGINE SUB-SYSTEM AND VEHICLE STRUCTURE DAMAGE.
  - (C) POSSIBLE EARLY MISSION TERMINATION. REDLINE ADDITIONAL PROPELLANT FOR RCS BACKUP DEORBIT. NEXT PLS DEORBIT IF SUFFICIENT PROPELLANT NOT AVAILABLE.
  - (D) POSSIBLE CREW/VEHICLE LOSS-RESULTANT POD AND STRUCTURE DAMAGE COULD RESULT IN LACK OF ENGINE RESTRAINT CAUSING POSSIBLE BREAKING OF

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OMS PROPELLANT LINES AND CONNECTORS.

# DISPOSITION & RATIONALE:

(A) DESIGN (B) TEST (C) INSPECTION (D) FAILURE HISTORY (E) OPERATIONAL USE

## (A) DESIGN

THE DESIGN FACTOR OF SAFETY IS 1.4. GIMBAL RING UTILIZES BOX CONFIGURATION FOR TORSIONAL RIGIDITY. COMPLETE STRESS ANALYSIS PERFORMED. CORROSION RESISTANT MATERIALS SELECTED. REDUNDANT ENGINE SUBSYSTEM PROVIDES REDUNDANCY.

#### (B) TEST

QUALIFICATION TESTS
USED ON STRUCTURAL TEST ARTICLE FOR POD STRUCTURAL QUAL - QUALIFIED AS
PART OF ENGINE ASSY - 138 HOT-FIRE TESTS DURING ENGINE QUAL, 498 TESTS
AT SYSTEM LEVEL AT WSTF, VIBRATION TEST AT ENGINE LEVEL. ALSO
SUBJECTED TO GINBAL SPRING RATE AND ULTIMATE LOAD TEST.

ACCEPTANCE TEST EXAMINATION OF PRODUCT, WELD INSPECTIONS, INSTALLATION VERIFIED BY VISUAL INSPECTION DURING ASSEMBLY.

#### GROUND TURNAROUND

V43CEO.030 PERFORMS DETAILED VISUAL INSPECTION EVERY 5 FLIGHTS OR WHENEVER POD IS REMOVED.
SOOFAG.700 PERFORMS OMS GIMBAL PROFILE EVERY FLIGHT.
V79AZO.010 AND V79AZO.020 PERFORMS LEFT & RIGHT OMS TVC VERIFICATION FOR FIRST FLIGHT AND EVERY 5 FLIGHTS.
V79AZO.030 & V79AZO.040 PERFORMS LEFT & RIGHT TVC VERIFICATION (POD ONLY) FOR FIRST FLIGHT & CONTINGENCY.
GIMBAL CHECK PERFORMED IN FLIGHT AFTER OMS-1,2, & PRIOR TO DEORBIT.

#### (C) INSPECTION

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RECEIVING INSPECTION
MATERIALS AND PROCESSES CERTIFICATIONS ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

CONTAMINATION CONTROL CLEANLINESS TO LEVEL 200 FOR MMH AND 200A FOR NTO AND CORROSION PROTECTION PROVISIONS ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION:

ASSEMBLY/INSTALLATION

MANUFACTURING, ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION PROCEDURES ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION. CRITICAL DIMENSIONS AND SURFACE FINISHES ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION. PHYSICAL AND DIMENSIONAL INSPECTION OF ALL COMPONENTS DURING FABRICATION IS VERIFIED BY INSPECTION. DIMENSIONAL INSPECTION OF RING AFTER ASSEMBLY IS VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

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NONDESTRUCTIVE EVALUATION

PENETRANT AND RADIOGRAPHIC INSPECTION OF WELDS ARE VERIFIED BY
INSPECTION.

TESTING TEST EQUIPMENT AND TOOL CALIBRATION ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION ACCEPTANCE TEST IS VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

HANDLING/PACKAGING HANDLING, PACKAGING, STORAGE AND SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

- (D) FAILURE HISTORY NONE.
- PERFORM REMAINING MISSION REQUIREMENTS USING CROSSFEED FOR UTILIZATION OF PROPELLANT FROM POD WITH FAILED ENGINE. POSSIBLE EARLY MISSION TERMINATION BECAUSE STATUS OF OTHER COMPONENTS NEAR THE GIMBAL RING AND OME MAY BE UNKNOWN. PEDLINE ADDITIONAL PROPELLANT FOR RCS BACKUP DEORBIT. NEXT PLS DEORBIT IF PROPELLANT FOR RCS BACKUP NOT AVAILABLE. POSSIBLE MISSION IMPACT. DECREASED PROPELLANT AVAILABLE FROM OMS TO RCS THROUGH INTERCONNECT FOR ON-ORBIT OPERATION.